

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

35 USC 102(b)

Claims 14, 15 and 19 were rejected as being anticipated by Hahn et al (US5987681). The applicant disagrees with the rejection. To move prosecution forward, these claims have been amended and the rejection is now moot.

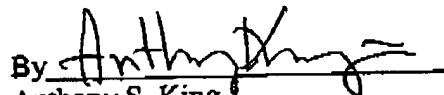
35 USC 103(a)

Claims 1-5, 7-9 and 11 were rejected as being obvious over Bushberger (US5267579) in view of Murayama (US5343883). The applicant disagrees with the rejection. To move prosecution forward, these claims have been amended and the rejection is now moot.

Request For Allowance

Claims 1-13 and 21-22 are pending in this application. The applicant requests allowance of all pending claims.

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